

1 90. (New) The encoder defined in Claim 88 wherein the optional  
2 pointer may contain the next segment pointer for fixed size memory  
3 management.

1 91. (New) The encoder defined in Claim 88 wherein the optional  
2 pointer comprises an ID for the segment.

1 92. (New) The encoder defined in Claim 88 wherein the optional  
2 pointer indicates a number of different bands that the segment contains.

1 93. (New) The encoder defined in Claim 88 wherein the optional  
2 pointer comprises at least a bit indicating that the band contains more than two  
3 segments.

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REMARKS


Prior to examination of the above-referenced case on the merits, please enter the following amendments. Claims 2-67 have been canceled. Claims 68-93 have been added.

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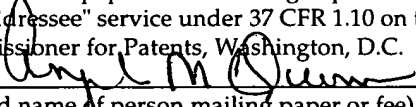
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